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'Brenda, I can't get to you'

Deadly blaze. Man recalls tragic fire that killed his fiancée



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Kelly Milne could hear his fian-

Kelly Milne could hear his fiancée's frantic cries for help — he nearly died trying to save her. It was early April 13 and

a fire had spread quickly through the Evergreen home he shared with partner Brenda Walsh and their two daughters, eight-year-old Cadence and three-year-old Khloe.

But now a wall of fire had formed between the pair who had been inseparable for 13

"A backdraft explosion hit me," he told Metro during his first interview after the incident. "I went down. That's when I could hear Brenda yelling for me. Her final words, they still haunt me. It was 'Help me, Kelly.' She never called me Kelly, she always called me 'baby.' All I could say to her was, 'Brenda, I can't get to you.""

The day prior had been



Kelly Milne, left, and fiancée Brenda Walsh are seen with oldest daughter Cadence. Walsh was killed in a fire that ripped through the family's Evergreen home earlier this month. COURTESY KELLY MILNE

'perfect."

Milne and Walsh worked together as painters and for some reason she insisted on joining him for some catch-up duties despite spending Saturdays with the girls. Afterwards, Milne did his taxes while Walsh surfed the Internet for bargain deals on gym equipment for a workout centre she'd hoped to set up in the basement.

Around 9 p.m., Milne fell asleep on the living-room couch with Cadence, while Walsh kept busy cooking in the kitchen under the watchful eye of young Khloe.

How to help

A trust fund for Kelly Milne and his daughters has been set up through TD Canada, with an account number of

At some point, it's believed Brenda put the youngster to bed, located in an upstairs room furthest from the stairs. She then went into bed herself.

Shortly before 2 a.m., fire investigators believe a blaze was sparked in the home's kitchen, but spokesperson

South Star Realty, located at 8180 Macleod Trail South, are also accepting donations.

Carol Henke said crews were

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still working to determine an exact cause.

Milne said Cadence woke up to the ringing fire alarm

"I told her (Cadence), 'Go outside, wait for me.' I ran upstairs to get Khloe, and the

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"I went down. That's when I could hear Brenda yelling for me. Her final words, they still haunt me. It was 'Help me, Kelly.' She never called me Kelly, she always called me 'baby.' All I could say to her was 'Brenda, I can't get to you." Kelly Milne

whole time I'm screaming, 'Brenda! Brenda!'" Milne re-

He snatched his youngest daughter from her bed and headed back towards the master bedroom. That's when he spotted Cadence at the top of the stairs — the frightened girl had remained in the home despite the advancing flames.

"There's a big glow on her face and she's just scared," he said. "Now my instinct is to get the girls out of the house."

The trio made it out and raced across the street to the home of neighbour and friend Rick Schell. Once the girls were safe, he scrambled back to the home.

Schell previously described what he saw as Milne reopened the front door.

"It went from just a glow of flame to a full-out fire.... He came out, and he was burned."

Milne said Wednesday he

doesn't remember anything after that, not even an attempt to go back into the home for a second time that neighbours and paramedics wouldn't allow.

He was then rushed via ambulance to hospital.

Firefighters recovered Walsh's body a short time later.

Milne said he was in and out of consciousness for much of Sunday. He suffered burns on his face, left hand and arm but is expected to make a full recovery. Bandages remain from his wrist to his shoulder and he's had recurring dreams of being stuck in the middle of the fire.

The family lost nearly all its possessions — some cherished photos are undergoing restorative treatment.

A private service has been arranged for Walsh this weekend.

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Corporate ban

Committee dumps cardboard dumping

Calgary is pressing ahead with a plan that would ban businesses from dumping cardboard into city landfills by 2018.

A city committee endorsed the proposal, which would see recycling rules gradually strengthened, culminating in a full ban.

Spencer Kennedy of Urban Impact Recycling asked council to implement the ban sooner, but Coun. Peter Demong said the incremental approach will make it easier for smallbusiness owners to adapt. Christina Seidel of the Recycling Council of Alberta noted there's a valuable market for cardboard that will take time for businesses to clue into. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Critical condition

Student hit at crosswalk

A 20-year-old student was clinging to life Wednesday after being struck by a car at a crosswalk near U of C. The man was crossing the street on his skateboard at about 11 a.m. when he was hit by a black Chevrolet Aveo. Police say charges are pending against a 43-year-old woman who allegedly failed to stop at a marked crosswalk near the intersection of 32 Avenue and 33 Street N.W., despite the signals being active and other vehicles having already stopped.

The student remained in critical, life-threatening condition as of late Wednesday afternoon.

Police are asking witnesses to contact 403-567-4000 or Crime Stoppers. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Victim 'loved people,' had an eye for design

Lawrence Hong. Final memorial after mass murder remembers generous spirit



His career ambitions centred on building better and faster transportation networks, but Lawrence Hong was remembered Wednesday for his willingness to take a timeout to chat with anyone.

At the final memorial service for the victims of Calgary's worst mass murder, Miles Hong recalled how his brother "loved people" and always found time for a long phone call, fancy cup of coffee or artisanal beer.

You could call him in the middle of the night and he would be there. And it was sometimes at the frustration of me and my dad because we would chauffeur him to your house," said Miles, drawing laughter from the crowd at Centre Street Church.

Hong was one of five young people killed at a subdued Brentwood house party last week. Memorials were held



this week for the other four victims: Jordan Segura, Kaiti Perras, Josh Hunter and Zackariah Rathwell.

Born in the Philippines, the Hong family twice moved to Calgary.

Those who paid their respects at Wednesday's service described Hong as relentlessly peppy and driven by his "Lawrence brand of optimism."

The 27-year-old urban studies student was one exam away from graduating from the Uni-

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"The fact that he didn't finish his journey does not take away from his iourney — and the life he

led." Lawrence Hong's brother Miles

versity of Calgary, and he had his eyes on working for Calgary Transit.

Public transit planner David Cooper served as Hong's teacher and mentor in univer-

"His focus in city building was developing social capital, which is incredibly evident if you look at the crowd that's here today," Cooper said.

Dozens mourners hitched a ride to the memorial aboard a specially organized charter bus, dubbed the 430 Lawrence Hong Express. All fares were slated to go to the Calgary Fairy Tales Film Festival in his name.

U of C plans 'celebration of life'

Details are still being finalized, but Calgary's biggest

university is organizing a "celebration of life" for five people killed at a house party near campus.

Among the victims of the city's worst mass murder were current University of Calgary students Jordan Segura, Joshua

Hunter and Lawrence Hong. Zackariah Rathwell, a student at the Alberta College of Art and Design, and high-school friend Kaiti Perras were also

U of C representatives confirmed they're planning an event to pay tribute to the victims for next Wednesday, April 30, but said a final location and time were still being sorted.

A spokesperson said further details would be provided later in the week. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO



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City's injury rates down but still high

Calgary employees.

Rate plummets but still towers above that of comparable employers



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Fewer City of Calgary employees were hurt on the job in 2013, but the city's injury rate still remained 50 per cent higher than Edmonton's and nearly twice the average of employers in its industry class.

Last year, the city recorded 540 lost-time claims — in-

stances in which an employee misses at least one full day due to an on-the-job injury.

That works out to 3.9 claims per 200,000 hours worked, down from the rate of 4.5 in 2012.

"I'm delighted to see it went down," said Coun. Peter Demong, quickly adding that the rate still remains high relative to other Alberta employers.

Edmonton's rate in 2013, for example, stood at 2.53, according to spokesman Gary Dyck, who said the capital city has seen "continuous improvement" over a range of injury measures for the past several years.

Calgary's lost-time claims

have dropped continuously since 2009, when the rate stood at 5.0, but the biggest drop, by far, came in 2013.

Lesley MacKinnon, manager of safety programs and services, said that's largely due to city-wide efforts to identify the highest-risk work activities and take steps to make them safer.

"We have a dedicated group that's reporting on that stuff," she said.

There's still room for improvement, she added, noting the industry group to which the city belongs, which includes health services and educational institutions, has a lost-time claim rate of 2.1 per 200,000 hours worked.

Dozens more found

Rats in the Hat still holding on

Another 78 dead rats have been pulled from a southern Alberta landfill.

The City of Medicine Hat is working to get rid of the rodents and providing weekly updates.

Last week, 63 dead rats were discovered; the week before there were 39.

Alberta's rat-free status has been in question since August 2012 when the vermin were first found in the landfill. At least 100 were killed after an 80-metre nest was discovered.

City officials said earlier this month that more poison was being put out. CJCY/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sexual assault. Appeals court upholds convictions against Dr. Aubrey Levin

The Alberta Court of Appeal has refused to overturn a psychiatrist's three convictions for sexually assaulting his court-appointed patients.

Dr. Aubrey Levin was found guilty by a jury in January 2013 and sentenced to five years in prison.

Levin, 75, had asked the Appeal Court last October to dismiss the convictions and order a new trial. He had remained free on bail while the appeal was being heard.

The original allegations against Levin came to light in 2010 after one of his patients came forward with secret vid-

eos he recorded.

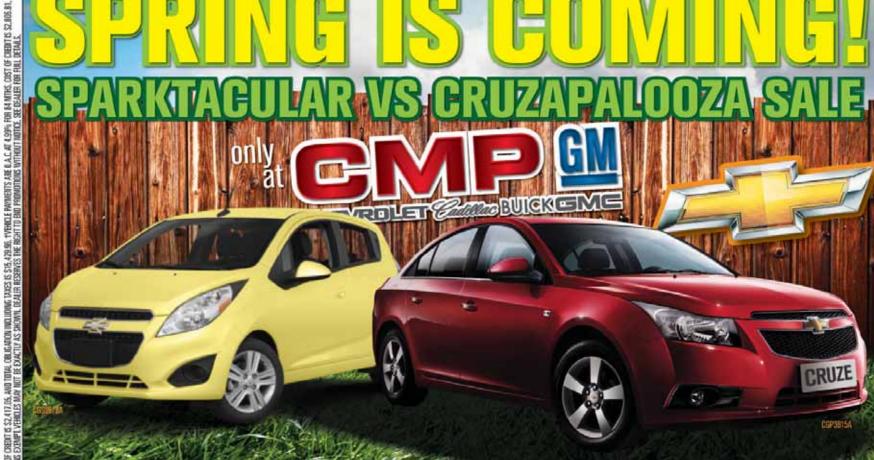
At the time of Levin's convictions, the jury was unable to reach a verdict on four other charges. The Crown retried Levin on two of them, and last month a new jury was again unable to reach a consensus.

Levin is no stranger to controversy, facing accusations about his time as a military psychiatrist in South Africa. In the 1970s, he practised at a military hospital where electric shocks were allegedly used in an attempt to change the sexuality of gay soldiers.

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crisis last June. The incident prompted an angry response at the time from Mayor Naheed Nenshi and other officials.

Nenshi welcomes fed plan to switch out old tanker cars

Rail safety. Some industry pros think plan is too ambitious



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Calgary's mayor and Alberta's transportation minister welcomed an aggressive move from the federal government Wednesday to phase out tens of thousands of older tanker cars used to transport oil and ethanol by rail.

In an interview with Metro, Mayor Naheed Nenshi said he was "very pleased" by the plan, which would see 5,000 of the most dangerous tankers retired within a month and about 60,000 more within three years.

"For too long the federal government has not been taking its role as a regulator seriously and I'm very pleased to see these tentative first steps towards doing that," Nenshi said.

Federal Transport Minister Lisa Raitt announced the measures in response to recommendations from the Transportation Safety Board in the wake of last summer's deadly derailment and fire in Lac-Mégantic,

Rail carriers will also be required to prepare emergency response assistance plans for shipments of all petroleum products, Raitt said.

Alberta Transportation Minister Wayne Drysdale said the announcement "provides Albertans and all Canadians with assurance that dangerous goods are being moved safely through their communities."

But Larry Beirlein, a Washington-based lawyer with the Association of Hazmat Ship-

The federal government's move is the latest response to last summer's horrific derailment and fire in Lac-Mégantic that claimed 47 lives.

- The tanker cars in question, known as DOT-111s. should be banned immediately, Greenpeace Canada said in a statement.
- Mayor Naheed Nenshi has also questioned the safety of railway-maintained bridges following a derailment on the Bonnybrook Bridge last summer.

pers, literally laughed out loud when told of Transport Canada's three-year deadline. WITH FILES FROM THE CANADIAN PRESS

Vital Statistics Act

Judge drops transgender rule

A judge has ruled that an Alberta law dealing with birth certificates violates the rights of transgender

The ruling comes a week after Premier Dave Hancock announced changes will be made to the Vital Statistics Act.

The law states that transgender persons must have reassignment surgery before they can change the sex on their birth certificates. Hancock said the surgery requirement will be dropped, but there is no word on when that might happen.

Justice Brian Burrows said the government has 30 days to issue a new birth certificate to a 23-year-old transgender woman who filed the legal challenge.

Representing herself in court, the woman argued that she needs to have her birth certificate switched from male to female so she can move on with her life. She said she doesn't want to have surgery and the birth certificate she has now makes her feel like "a second-class citizen."

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Mayor for a Day. Transit users need real-time data, says high school student

As "Mayor for a Day," 17-yearold Judy Tran brought her plans for transit, public art and cycling to top staff at the City of Calgary.

The Grade 12 student at

John G. Diefenbaker High School earned the privilege of spending a day in Mayor Naheed Nenshi's chair both literally and figuratively by writing a winning essay outlining her ideas on how to improve Calgary.

"Judy's (essay) really came to the top," Nenshi said Wednesday as he introduced her to reporters.

As a regular transit user, Tran advised city officials to introduce real-time bus-location data to make the service more convenient.

'Then you're not standing at a bus stop waiting for a bus that could potentially be late," she said.

Youth Central puts on the annual Mayor for a Day contest, and Tran said she learned a lot from the experience, particularly about how much collaboration it takes to get things done at city hall.

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City's Folk Music Fest unveils its 2014 lineup

July 24 to 27. To see all the artists set to take part, visit calgaryfolkfest.com.



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Headliners at the Calgary Folk Music Festival this summer will include the likes of Rufus Wainwright, Hey Rosetta!, Fishbone, and Bruce Cockburn, organizers announced Wednesday.

The lineup for the 35th annual event will include 70 artists from 12 countries performing over four days at Prince's Island Park, said festival artistic director Kerry Clarke.

"It's a combination of icons and upstarts," Clarke said of the lineup.

The festival will stay true to its "tarp run" tradition, she added, and will again include musical workshops and, almost certainly, spontaneous collaborations between artists.

"People, when they come for the first time, they say, 'I had no idea.' You just don't know until you see the vibe when it's nice and sunny and people are wandering around from stage to stage. Something really magical happens," Clarke

Clarke added the backbone of the festival is its "really strong core" volunteers. They number around 1,600 this year and do the bulk of the work of the festival, outside of a hand-

- July 24: Andrew Bird and the Hands of Glory, Hey Rosetta!
- July 25: Rufus Wainwright, Amos Lee, Fishbone
- July 26: Bruce Cockburn, Patty Griffin
- July 27: Hydra (feat. Feist), The Jayhawks, Matt Andersen, the Mellotones

ful of contracted sound engineers and the festival's own staff of 16 people. The festival runs

Red Dawg

Rock jock facing assault charge

Well-known Calgary rock jock Danny Bohaychuk is set to face an assault charge Thursday in a courtroom that hears domestic violence cases.

Police arrested Bohaychuk (known as on-air personality Red Dawg of CJAY 92) last month.

The 50-year-old is also known for supporting charitable endeavours including the Big Rock Eddies, Three Cheers for Beef and Beers Charitable Fundraiser and his radio colleague's Gerry Forbes Secret Wish. metro

Airport. Locals can roam YYC's new runway before it opens

Before planes take to a new runway at Calgary International Airport, residents are being offered a chance to jog or walk the strip.

Billed as a "once-in-alifetime experience," the Run and Roam the Runway event features 8.4-kilometre and five-kilometre runs on June 14 and a "roam" event June 15.

Access to the event is limited, with 1,400 spaces in the run and 10,000 in the

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Calgary Board of Education trustee chair Sheila Taylor is seen during a 2012 board meeting, METRO FILE

CBE top trustee's internal records 'heavily redacted'

Inquiry. Requests for information covered controversial period for board

Calgary's top public-school trustee has been denied access to the majority of information on more than 200 pages of internal documents that include her name and concern a range of controversial topics.

Calgary Board of Education trustee chair Sheila Taylor confirmed to Metro she's made eight freedom-of-information requests for internal records that cover the period between the start of her first term as a trustee in October 2010 and late February 2012.

Taylor requested all files that involved her related to conflict of interest, disclosure of information, meeting with third parties, interaction with the media, fiduciary duty and performance, and investigation. Taylor said her initial requests yielded 217 pages, but 94 per cent of those were fully redacted.

She appealed to the provincial privacy commissioner for more information specific to the interaction with the media request and last week the CBE was ordered to provide more detail on who was sending the emails, their subject lines and when they were sent. But the commissioner sided with the public-school board on its decision to exclude information contained in the emails because it fell under "solicitor-client privilege."

Interviewed about her requests this week, Taylor declined to delve into detail on why she sought the information and what she potentially believed was being said in relation to her by other members of the organization.

"Like a member of the public, I have a right to access my personal information under the legislation in Alberta.... I think The ruling

To read the privacy commissioner's ruling concerning Sheila Taylor's inquiry, head to metronews.ca/calgary.

there have been learnings that will benefit the organization and the public, in terms of information, access and communication," she said, later adding, "I'm focused on moving forward."

Taylor officially became chair of the trustee board at the start of her second term in October, but the requests cover a period of time in which she often opposed fellow board members on a range of controversial topics and was dubbed a "rogue trustee" by one media outlet.

Brian Seaman with the Alberta Civil Liberties Research Centre was quick to raise questions on why Taylor, who serves as the face of the organization, would not have access to records collected that concern her.

He said the only reason he could see for redacting certain information was if it was legally sensitive in regards to Taylor or other individuals or situations included in the records.

"I think one of the questions that should be asked, and one I would be asking, is what is taking place within the confines of the board," he said.

"That really is the only reason I could see for the information to be so heavily redacted for it to be, essentially, rather meaningless."

In a written response to questions on Taylor's inquiries, the CBE said it had fully complied with the privacy commissioner and provincial FOIP legislation.

"Even within a public organization, privacy regulations confirm that certain conversations and information are supposed to be kept private," the organization said.

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Athlete speaks out about friend's suicide

Allegations. Friend of woman who ended her life while on a swimming scholarship in Missouri discusses sexual assault and college athletic culture



Rolandis Woodland was a wide receiver at the University of Missouri when his close friend, Canadian swimmer Sasha Menu Courey, was allegedly raped by one or more football players and later took her own life

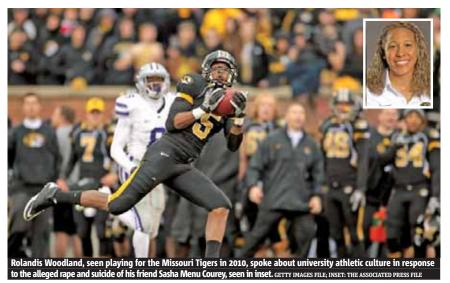
Reached by phone in Missouri last week, after an independent investigation into his school's handling of Menu Courey's case, Woodland had some insights on why there are so many headlines about college athletes accused of sexual assaults. "With some athletic programs, sometime you're taught to just like, if there's a problem, you need anything you go to the coach, You don't go to the police or anything, you go to the coach," said Woodland, a recent grad.

Part of the problem, he said, is putting athletes on a pedestal.

"When you go around ... thinking you can do no wrong — if there's trouble your coach is going to get you out of it, nobody can touch you — then you're going to feel like you can do whatever you want," he said.

Menu Courey, from Toronto, went to the University of Missouri on a swimming scholarship in 2009. She struggled with borderline personality disorder and ended her life in June 2011.

Menu Courey left a diary and records of an online chat with a rape crisis counsellor that recounted what happened in February of her freshman year. She had gone home from a bar with



a football player and had consensual sex. Afterwards, other players came into the room and one or more raped her as she tried to call for help.

This month, after an independent investigation into the university's handling of the allegations, officials vowed to change how the institution responds, making sure employees know their obligation to report sexual assaults to law enforcement. The investigation couldn't determine if any non-medical personnel knew of the sexual assault and failed to report it before she died. However, it said school officials who learned about the sexual assault in a 2012 newspaper report had an obligation to report it to police, but did not.

The Columbia, Mo., police department began their investigation in January, almost four years after the in-

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cident. There have been no arrests. A spokesperson told Metro there are no updates.

For Woodland and Menu Courey's parents, who live in Toronto, the handling of the sexual assault case was only half of the story. They have concerns about how the school supported her mental health needs. "She was always honest, she told them she had the problems - she had mental problems and she had suicidal thoughts and they were just like, oh, red flag, I think we don't really need her anymore," said Wood-land. Menu Courey's parents, Lynn Courey and Mike Menu, now run an organization, Sashbear, that promotes awareness of mental health issues.

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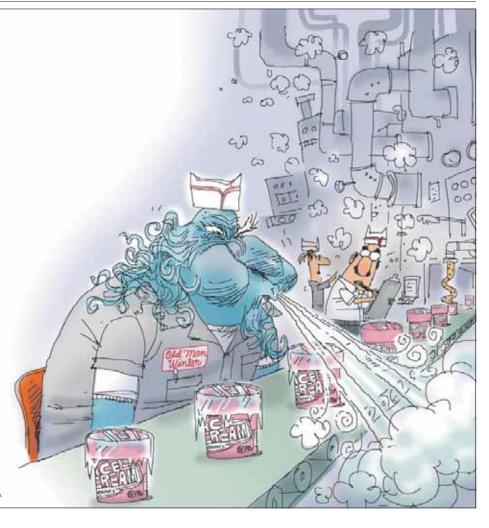
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Dutchman could be extradited before trial

Amanda Todd.

Dutch prosecutors suggest trial plans for B.C. teen's alleged tormentor could change if extradition request received

Dutch prosecutors says the possible extradition of a man accused of using the Internet to target underage girls, including B.C. teen Amanda Todd, won't necessarily have to wait until after his trial in Holland.

Thirty-five-year-old Aydin Coban is facing charges in Canada and the Netherlands over allegations he surreptitiously recorded webcam footage of underage girls and men and then used the footage to extort them.

The RCMP announced last week that Coban is facing five charges in B.C. related to Todd, a 15-year-old Port Coquitlam girl who turned to suicide Charges

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The RCMP announced last week that Aydin Coban is facing five charges in B.C. related to Amanda Todd.

after she was exploited online. B.C.'s criminal justice

B.C.'s criminal justice branch has already said it plans to ask the federal Justice Department to seek the man's extradition to face trial in Canada, but there have been questions about how quickly that could happen.

Paul van der Zanden, a spokesman for Holland's public prosecution service, says it hasn't received a formal extradition request, so the court process in that country will continue toward a trial. But van der Zanden suggests that plan could change if an extradition request is made, though he says he can't speculate about precisely what would happen once that occurs.

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Rite of passage

A Buddhist monk shaves the head of a boy in this April 8 photo taken during an ordaining ceremony at a Buddhist monastery in the suburbs of Yangon, Myanmar. Though most boys only remain monks for a few days, ordination is seen as a rite of passage in this predominantly Buddhist nation of 60 million. GENUNIA MARASINGHEFTHE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Labour. McDonald's puts foreign worker program on hiatus amid criticism

McDonald's Canada is putting its temporary foreign workers program on hold while a third party conducts an audit on its use of the plan.

Stung by recent criticism of its use of foreign workers, the restaurant chain's vicepresident of human resources Len Jillard said Wednesday the firm needs to pause the plan to prove to Canadians it is abusing neither the program, nor its workers.

Jillard said McDonald's has already informed the federal government — including federal Employment Minister Jason Kenney — about its plans.

"The reason why we're doing that is we want to communicate to everyone we're taking this very seriously," Jillard said. "We're taking a pause. We're making sure that we've got everything in order, which I'm convinced we have.

Three McDonald's franchises in Victoria and a pizza restaurant in Weyburn, Sask., are at the centre of program-abuse allegations involving Canadian employees alleging foreign workers were given priority work status and in some cases took their jobs.

McDonald's is in the process of taking full ownership of the three Victoria franchises from the Victoria operator who previously held an 80 per cent share in the three outlets.

Jillard said the company was

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PSYCHICS

In Winnipeg on Wednesday, **Employment Minister Jason** Kenney warned that employers who abuse the temporary foreign workers program could face fraud charges and possible jail time.

Kenney said the number of abusers is believed to be small, but penalties can be strong, and a bill before Parliament would make it easier to impose penalties on employers who break the rules.

setting up the terms of reference for the third-party analysis, but hadn't yet hired the firm that would do the work.

"It's responsible for us as a reinforcement of our core value of being responsible, ethical and caring for our employees that we take this pause right

The government is investigating several recent cases, including at the Weyburn restaurant where two long-time waitresses said they were fired and replaced with governmentapproved temporary foreign

The program is supposed to be used when there are no local residents available for job openings. The canadian press

Paramedics treated drunk teen at PM's residence: Reports



'Not a police matter.'

Ambulance sent to 24 Sussex Drive on night PM's son was believed to be celebrating 18th birthday

The RCMP is confirming that paramedics were called to Prime Minister Stephen Harper's residence early Sunday morning amid media reports that an 18-year-old woman was severely intoxicated.

In a statement,

spokesperson Cpl. Lucy Shorey said an ambulance responded to 24 Sussex Drive. She did not describe the nature of the call, but said it did not involve Harper or his family.

This was a medical call and not a police matter. It did not involve any of our protectees," Shorey said in a statement.

A Quebec radio station reported that the emergency call involved an intoxicated 18-year-old woman, who was taken to hospital.

J.P. Trottier, a spokesperson for the Ottawa Paramedic Service, confirmed that paramedics took a patient to hospital, but said he could not provide details about the gender, age or condition because of patient confidentiality.

"Because of the potential identification of the patient, we can't talk about it," he said in an interview.

It's believed that Harper's son Ben celebrated his 18th birthday on Saturday. Harper and wife Laureen also have a daughter, Rachel, who is three years younger.

Jason MacDonald, Harper's director of communications, declined to comment on the report and would not say whether Harper or his wife were home at the time of the

The legal drinking age in Ontario is 19.

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Winnipeg

Cops recommend charges in peewee hockey brawl

Criminal charges have been recommended following a peewee hockey brawl in Winnipeg, but police say they haven't decided if there will be any arrests.

An on-ice scuffle took place during a February game between teams from Sagkeeng First Nation and Brokenhead Ojibway Nation. A melee ensued between referees, players and adults. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Woman awarded \$75,000 in airport breast-milk fracas

A California woman held at a Phoenix airport four years ago after refusing to have her breast milk X-rayed has reached a settlement with the U.S. Transportation Security Administration.

Stacey Armato said Wednesday that TSA officials have tentatively offered her \$75,000, along with promises to retrain agents and clarify its guidelines on screening breast milk. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Survey

I do ... not believe I can afford to pay for this wedding

Canadians planning to tie the knot expect to spend an average of \$15,000 on their big day, but many don't think they'll be able to foot the entire bill, according to a new study.

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Rebels claim Syrian forces used chlorine gas

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Proof? Activists have posted videos online depicting pale-faced people coughing and gasping for breath

Syrian government forces have attacked rebel-held areas with poisonous chlorine gas in recent weeks and months, leaving men, women and children coughing, choking and gasping for breath, according to Associated Press interviews with more than a dozen activists, medics and residents on the opposition side.

Syria flatly denied the allegations, which have not been confirmed by any foreign country or international organization.

Witnesses near Damascus and in a central rebel-held village told the Associated Press of dozens of cases of choking, fainting and other afflictions from inhaling fumes that some said were yellowish and smelled like chlorine cleanser. Some of those interviewed said they believe the gas was responsible for at least two deaths.

They said the fumes came from hand grenades and helicopter-dropped "barrel bombs," which are crude containers packed with explosives and shrapnel.

Activists have posted videos similar, though on a far smaller scale, to those from last August's chemical weapons attack near Damascus that killed

hundreds of people and nearly triggered U.S. airstrikes against Syria. The new footage depicts pale-faced men, women and children coughing and gasping at field hospitals.

It's an accusation that carries high stakes, and the Syrian opposition has an interest in pushing such claims in hopes of spurring the world to take stern action against Assad, who faces a Sunday deadline for handing over all his chemical weapons for destruction.

Ĉhlorine has a multitude of ordinary civilian uses, including laundry bleach and swimming-pool disinfectant. But in high concentrations, it can attack the lungs and asphyxiate victims.

Syria's use of chlorine-filled bombs, if confirmed, would be a violation of the chemical weapons treaty that Assad's government signed last year as part of a deal to hand over its stockpile.

On Wednesday, Syria's U.N. Ambassador Bashar Ja'afari said his government categorically denied the use of chlorine gas. Ja'afari further disputed that chlorine gas could be categorized as a chemical weapon, saying "it is a mundane substance used for bleaching clothes in the laundry or disinfecting swimming pools."

On Sunday, French

On Sunday, French President Francois Hollande told Europe 1 radio station there were "elements" suggesting recent use of chemical weapons, but no proof.

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Ukraine

Canada deploying 500 personnel to monitor elections

Canada is sending a message to Russia by deploying up to 500 people to monitor Ukraine's presidential election next month, a cabinet minister said.

Employment Minister Jason Kenney said the observers are part of Canada's answer to Moscow's provocations.

Kenney said he's not worried about the Canadian presence antagonizing the Kremlin. "I hope that Moscow notices. We are doing this in part to send a message as with everything else we're doing in Ukraine," he said.

Kenney said one way Canada is showing its disagreement with Russia is to strongly support "free and fair" presidential elections in Ukraine. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Flight 370

Material washed along shore may be linked to lost plane

Authorities say unidentified material that washed ashore in southwestern Australia is being examined for any link to the lost Malaysian plane.

The search co-ordination centre said Wednesday evening that police secured the

material that washed ashore 10 kilometres east of Augusta in Western Australia.

Its statement did not describe the material found.

The Australian Transport Safety Bureau is examining photographs to assess whether further investigation is needed and if the material is relevant to Flight MH370.

Augusta is near Australia's southwestern tip, 310 kilometres from Perth, where the search has been headquartered. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Carl Holst, Sales Manager of Stampede Toyota, just announced plans to hold a vehicle summer clear out taking **Place Saturday April** 26 2014. According to Mr. Holst increased sales from the last few months have resulted in an overstock of trade-ins. "In the last three months our sales have increased at a higher than expected rate", Holst said. "Now, we must reduce the number of cars and trucks on our used lot to a more manageable number. **During this vehicle** spring clear-out sale every used car and truck will be sold from 10% up to 50% off its original asking price." Mr. Holst said. "In fact, cars that normally sell for five to eight thousand dollars will be sold for three to five thousand," Mr. Holst said. "Our customers will find these prices even lower than at wholesale auctions."

Auction bidding often inflates the true value of a car so you pay more. Here every car is on sale, first come first served and no bidding. It's the perfect opportunity to get a good quality new or used car at the lowest price in the city. All cars will be on display at Stampede Toyota on Barlow Trail, 2 blocks north of the Trans Canada Highway. This sale is one day only, doors

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"Wholesale buyers will be represented to take trade-ins during the sale," Mr. Holst said. "We also have three business managers who will help buvers arrange lowcost financing. We've got over \$10 Million **Dollars** in inventory to choose from. Our total inventory will be close to 600 new and used cars and trucks to choose from. We want to remind everyone that this is a one-day sale only. When our inventory has been reduced, we will remove the sale prices and return to normal operations. Since we are a local business we would like to give back to the community," Mr. Holst said. "We would rather allow local people to buy these overstocked vehicles than wholesale them at an auction." All cars will be clearly marked with discounts from 10% up to 50% for the entire day. Due to the volume of sales during this event, please no telephone inquiries.

Recovery efforts face problems

Sewol. The South Korean government faces the sensitive decision of when to begin salvaging the submerged vessel

As the 156th body was pulled from waters where the ferry Sewol sank a week ago, relatives of the nearly 150 still missing pressed the government Wednesday to finish the grim task of recovery soon. But the work was reaching a new, more complicated phase, with an official saying divers must now rip through cabin walls to retrieve more victims.

Looming in the background is a sensitive issue: When to bring in the cranes and begin the salvage effort by cutting up and raising the submerged vessel. The government has warned that the work might eliminate air pockets that could be sustaining survivors.

"We don't want the bodies to decay further, so we want them to pull out the bodies as quickly as they can," said Pyun Yong-gi, whose 17-year-old daughter is among the missing.

Koh Myung-seok, spokesman for the government-wide emergency task force, said the work is becoming more difficult, and divers must now break through cabin walls. The

Searchers and divers look for people to sunken ferry Sewol. YONHAD/THE ASSOCIATION of the salvage effort, though it has said it will be considerate of families of the missing.

For some relatives of the missing, speed in recovering the dead is becoming more important than shrinking hopes that their loved ones might still be alive.

Pyun and other relatives have set a deadline of Thursday for the government to recover all the bodies, though he concedes they have no way to enforce it

The victims of the April 16 disaster are overwhelmingly students of a single high school in Ansan, near Seoul. Twentywo of the 29 members of the ferry's crew survived, and 11, including the captain, have



Families' thoughts

"We don't want the bodies to decay further, so we want them to pull out the bodies as quickly as they can."

Pyun Yong-gi, father of a 17-year-old girl who is missing with other Sewol ferry victims.

been arrested or detained in connection with the investigation. Two of the crew were arrested Wednesday, senior prosecutor Ahn Sang-don said.

Ahn said an analysis of photos and video on the ship showed the captain and other crew members didn't rescue passengers, though it was their duty. The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Justin Bieber

Pop star criticized for war shrine visit

Justin Bieber apologized Wednesday to those he offended by visiting the Yasukuni Shrine, a Japanese war shrine, saying he thought it was a beautiful site and "only a place of prayer."

China and South Korea see Yasukuni as a symbol of Japan's past militarism.

Images posted on Bieber's Instagram account were met with outrage from Chinese officials and commenters.

"I hope this Canadian singer ... can have some knowledge of the Japanese militaristic history of external aggression," said Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Qin Gang.

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Crime. Nine people facing kidnapping charges

As the kidnappers pulled into an upscale golf course community, they thought they were about to abduct an assistant district attorney who sent a high-ranking gang member to prison for life, authorities said.

But they had the wrong address and when the prosecutor's father answered the door, they took him instead.

For five days, authorities said the kidnappers held Frank Janssen, 63, captive in an Atlanta apartment.

The captors allegedly tormented his family by sending text messages threatening to cut him into pieces if police were called or their demands weren't met.

On Tuesday, an indictment charged nine people in Janssen's abduction, including 49-year-old Bloods gang

The accused

Janssen's daughter, Wake Forest assistant district attorney Colleen Janssen, prosecuted Melton in 2012 for his role in a shooting.

- Court records show Melton has a long history of felony convictions in New York.
- His North Carolina conviction, however, sent him to prison for life.

member Kelvin Melton, who authorities said was calling the shots from his prison cell in North Carolina.

Melton and the other defendants face a federal conspiracy charge related to the abduction. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Cookapp. Serving up a new take on the old chefdiner relationship recipe

If the latest development in culinary social media catches on, the trendiest restaurants may no longer be restaurants.

A growing number of apps and websites are taking the traditional chef-diner relationship out of established eateries and into private homes. Cookapp, for example, is just the latest to launch in the U.S., connecting adventurous diners with independent chefs—and even just ambitious amateur cooks—willing to host dinners at their homes and

other offbeat locations

Like its peers EatWith and Feastly, Cookapp is taking a bite from the edible side of the "shared economy," where so-called peer-to-peer businesses are disrupting established industries and giving headaches to municipal regulators and tax collectors. Other non-food apps in this realm include Uber and Lyft, which match private drivers with people needing rides, and VRBO and Airbnb, which help people turn their homes into vacation rentals.

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Google Street View offers new view for you

Ch-ch-changes.Travel back in time online to see what Calgary used to look like

Trips down memory lane are now available on Google's digital maps.

The new twist on time travel debuted Wednesday as part of the Street View feature in Google's maps, a navigational tool that attracts more than one billion visitors each month. Street View snapshots will now include an option to see what neighbourhoods and landmarks looked like at different periods in the last seven years, as Google Inc. has been dispatching camera-toting cars to take street-level pictures for its maps.

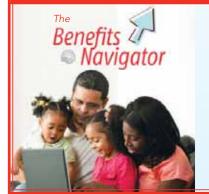
Even though the photos only date back to 2007, some of them illustrate dramatic changes.

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his illustration provided by Google shows what the Howard Theater in Washington looked like in July 2009, left, and Ifter renovation in May 2012, right, coogle the associated press

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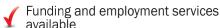
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If I didn't know any better, I'd say The Angry Taxpayer is a myth.

Indirect evidence tells me they exist. They are the power source for AM radio, the fertile soil of Ford Nation, the engine that keeps the Internet's comments sections humming.

But if I've met more than one or two Angry Taxpayers during my entire life then they've hid it well.

There's that one guy who holds court in every greasy spoon I've ever eaten in, but I think he might be the same guy doing a nationwide tour.

It's called "I'll Tell Ya One Thing" and it metronews.ca owes some of its sense of variation to Nickelback. I'm not suggesting there's a human being alive who likes paying taxes.

But people who "hate" their taxes hate them in the same way they hate doing laundry or taking off a Band-



John Mazerolle

Aid. It's a chore worthy of sighs, not an abomination worthy of a Hulk Smash.

Yet I've always accepted that the public is like the bearded guy in 300, screaming, "WE ARE TAXPAYERS!!!" before kicking a public servant into a bottomless hole representing the deficit.

Only deciding to write a column about tax time made me think about it long enough to realize that just about everybody I know would've told the guy standing near the hole that he should be careful and then lobbied their city council for a guardrail or a sign that says WARNING: HOLE.

Frankly, I've heard more outrage from friends and co-workers about disappointing episodes of The Walking Dead than I have about Canadian

Even when there's a spending scandal, it's mostly partisan reflex — outrage if your personal bad guys are in office, an acceptable slip-up if you think the good guys are in charge. I've given this some thought as I prepare my own taxes - glumly, not angrily.

Why do we accept our taxes more passively than the stereotypes imply? Is it because most of us have had some ailment covered by universal health care, and have thus decided that lower take-home pay is worth the joy of knowing, for instance, that the neighbour you despise helped pay for your mole removal?

Is it that we realize even the worst scandal imaginable (e.g., a fake lake built for Rob Ford late-night parties in the middle of the Senate) only costs us about five cents a day?

Is it that we know if we actually had the money we'd raste it on lottery tickets and the new Johnny Depp film?

Or is it just that I live a blinkered existence and am oblivious to the seething rage of the Common Man?

I know it might be the last one, so I've been talking to people to get a sense of their rage.

Apparently the finale episode of How I Met Your Mother was really bad. Won't someone think of the children?

ZOOM

It's a scene of terror



Wildebeest take on gruelling trek

Thrashing wildly in the water, thousands of wildebeest battle against each other to cross a powerful river. The scene of sheer panic among the animals in Kenya's Mara River — just north of the border with Tanzania — is part of the largest animal movement in the 21st century, popularly known as the Great Migration.

The herd's panic is depicted in the eyes of the wildebeest. The photographer likens the stare of this animal to Dante's Inferno in epic poem The Divine Comedy. METRO

Behind the lens

- Captured by: Karen Lunney, from Brisbane, Australia.
- **Accompanied with:** Her husband and guide, who spotted a vantage point for the sight.
- Quoted: "Perhaps very foolhardy, we grabbed cameras and made our way by foot through the bush to the river's edge. We watched as wildebeest reached our side of the river but struggled to find an easy way up to freedom.

Number of travellers

wildebeest — accompanied by 300,000 zebra — make their long trek from Tanzania's Serengeti Plains, further north to Kenya's Masai Mara National Reserve. The herds of animals make the yearly, 2,900-kilometre journey in a desperate search for food and water. Some 250,000 wildebeest perish every year while taking on the arduous African odyssey

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Robot army amazes



Every now and again, a nifty technology company unveils a demo video of a robot snake or a robot cheetah or some such thing, and they're all very cool. But then the initial dazzlement fades and you're left with the vision of being chased through backyards and alleys by herds of them.

Same goes for these critters from SRI International. The near limitless possibilities of a tiny, highly co-ordinated workforce capable of small scale manufacture is amazing. But then comes the realization that this is more or less a robot ant army. What could go wrong?



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There's no horsing around when it comes to putting on this show

Odysseo. Technical director says that all the stress is worth it when he sees the finished production



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Nicolas Zlicaric loves a challenge. Which is helpful when you're the company manager for a \$35-million multimedia equestrian extravaganza.

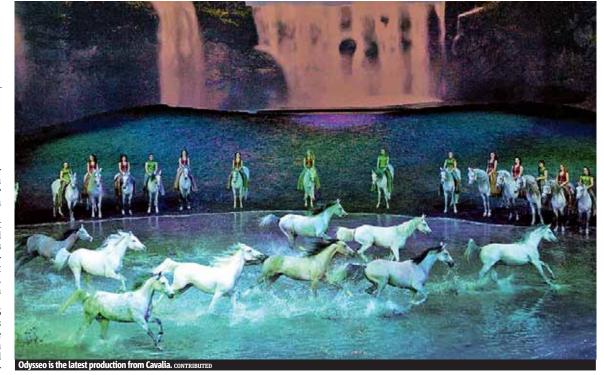
"Most of my day is spent extinguishing fires and making sure the staff is happy," says technical director Zlicaric, during a recent backstage tour of Odysseo, the latest production from Cavalia.

Zlicaric, who spent 16 years working in logistics with Cirque du Soleil before joining Cavalia, says each site has unique issues, and Calgary certainly isn't immune.

The decision to bring Odysseo to Alberta in early spring, for example, means the show's construction team has had to deal with the province's unstable (OK, let's just call it crazy) weather.

"It's windy, it's snowy, there's a lot of erosion coming from the snow melting," explains Zlicaric, who also oversaw construction of the original Cavalia site at Canada Olympic Park in 2011.

"Maintaining the site as we're doing construction is challenging. It was a challenge erecting the tent. It's twice the size of last time.



We had to set it up when it was snowing."

There were also delays in the delivery of the show's new big top from Italy and other small problems while preparing to raise the tent.

But the stress and long days are worth it once the show is up and running, he says.

"When everything comes together and we see the effort that has been put in, it makes it worth it," Zlicaric

"When the public enters and everything is in place, they are in awe at the size of the tent. When the show starts they're also in awe of the spectacle we're presenting."

Cavalia's Odysseo, which runs until June 1, is a stunning theatrical event that features 70 horses, 49 riders, aerialists, acrobats and musicians, as well as state-of-theart visual effects.

"It's a show of grandeur," says Zlicaric, who admits he wasn't much of a horse person before working with Cavalia.

"The show is for everybody. If you like performing arts, or even if you're not

Quick facts

- Cavalia's Odysseo runs through June 1 at the Big Top at Canada Olympic Park. For tickets and more information, go to cavalia. net or call 1-866-999-8111.
- The 70 horses featured in Odysseo represent 11 different breeds from around the world, including Arabian,

Spanish Purebred.

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 The surface covered by the White Big Top is equal to the size of two NFL football fields and can seat 2,000 people. As well, at 1,490 square metres, the stage is larger than a hockey rink.

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used to seeing performance arts, or circus arts or equestrian arts, everything

is brought in together in a beautiful way. It's easy to get into the show"

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Hello crappy. Critics get a little catty in response to Avril Lavigne's new Japanese-themed music video

After being posted to YouTube Tuesday, Avril Lavigne's brightly coloured music video for the song Hello Kitty was broadly criticized as insipid and, in some cases, offensive.

The video was briefly taken down amid the controversy, though it later resurfaced.

The video, still viewable on Lavigne's website as of Wednesday afternoon, features the Canuck pop-punk princess

prancing about in front of four grimacing Asian dancers and squawking lyrics including: Let's all slumber party/Like a fat kid on a pack of Smarties."

The Japan-shot video also finds the 29-year-old singing in a bedroom, a candy store and a sushi restaurant.

The song was perhaps meant as tribute to Japan, which remains one of Lavigne's strongest territories as her sales

But the press has roundly condemned the video.

Billboard called the clip an "embarrassment in any language" and mused on how the Hello Kitty video wound up even more abhorrent than the song.

USA Today linked to the video's "cringeworthy glory" while referencing the possibility that it was racist and Entertainment Weekly questioned whether the video was "offensive ... or offensively obvious."

Still, the flap over Hello Kitty likely represents the most media attention Lavigne has garnered since announcing her romance with Nickelback frontman Chad Kroeger, whom she married in July 2013.

Kroeger, in fact, co-wrote and co-produced the track.

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Veep, Silicon Valley renewed for another season

HBO announced that its political comedy VEEP, starring Julia Louis-Dreyfus, will return in spring 2015 for its fourth season.

The premium cable network also said it has renewed Silicon Valley, its freshman comedy on the tech world created by Mike Judge.

The network opted to renew Veep in spite of its flagging ratings. Since its return to the air on April 6, the show has drawn less than a million viewers each week. Nonetheless, the comedy is a hit with critics, as indicated by its frequent award nominations.

Silicon Valley, on the other hand, has been a hit with critics and viewers alike so far. The show, which follows a group of young IT developers and entrepreneurs, has attracted two million viewers per episode on average. It is worth noting, however, that the comedy is aired just before Game of Thrones, currently HBO's most-watched series. AFP



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Crossbones



John Malkovich to star as Blackbeard on new NBC show

NBC has released the trailer for Crossbones, the new drama that will take viewers back to the 18th century Bahamas, a hotbed of pirate

Slated to premiere Friday, May 30, Crossbones will focus on Captain Edward Teach, the leader of the ragtag band of pirates, thieves and other outlaws, played by John Malkovich. The historical figure is better known by his nickname: Blackbeard. Among the pirate leader's many enemies is Tom Lowe, an assassin sent to kill him. But Lowe changes his plans when he comes to admire Blackbeard and his philosophy.

Crossbones was created by British writer Neil Cross, who penned the English crime series Luther. AFP

All the world's a stage. Shakespeare's Globe launches Hamlet tour hoping to reach every nation on Earth

Four centuries after his death, William Shakespeare is probably Britain's best-known export, his words and characters famous around the world.

It's fitting then that his plays were first staged at a playhouse called the Globe because now the modern-day Shakespeare's Globe theatre in London is setting out to take Hamlet to every country on Earth, more than

The company describes the

plan as insanely ambitious. Some suspect it's impossible, and Amnesty International has weighed in to point out the 'dark irony" of taking a play about power and regicide to authoritarian North Korea.

Hamlet opened Wednesday, on Shakespeare's 450th birthday, with the first of three performances at the Globe, a reconstructed Elizabethan playhouse beside the River Thames.

Then the cast of 12 and its

four-person crew will board a schooner for Amsterdam, beginning a journey that will take them to seven continents by plane, boat, train, bus and jeep.

Globe artistic director Dominic Dromgoole reeled off the first tour stops with an excited grin. "Amsterdam, Wittenberg, Arctic Circle — Tromso — drop down through Scandinavia, go to Moscow, go to Kyiv the night before the election."

The itinerary is still a work

in progress, but Ladi Emeruwa, one of two actors playing the lead role, said his schedule is blocked out through January, with European performances followed by tours of North, Central and South America and the Caribbean.

The tour is scheduled to last two years, finishing back at the Globe on April 23, 2016, fittingly, for the 400th anniversary of Šhakespeare's death.

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Amazon Prime deal with HBO offers up The Wire, Sopranos

Online content.

Team-up will make many classic series available to members of streaming service

Fans of classic HBO shows like The Sopranos and The Wire will soon have access to those series and more through Amazon Prime in the first online streaming deal signed by the cable network.

Starting on May 21, Amazon Prime members who pay \$99 US a year for streaming entertainment, two-day shipping and other perks - will also have access to Six Feet Under, Big Love, as well as early seasons of Boardwalk Empire and True Blood. Past seasons of newer shows such as Girls, The Newsroom and Veep will also become available throughout the multiyear deal, about three years after airing on HBO.

Original movies including Too Big to Fail and Game Change will also become available, as will original comedy specials from Lewis Black, Louis C.K., and Bill Maher.

There was no mention of Game of Thrones, one of the most pirated shows in history.

The exclusive HBO deal is a big win for Amazon, which is competing with Netflix and Hulu for streaming viewers as more people cut the cord on cable services. Time Warner, which owns HBO, has long seen Netflix as a threat to HBO



and has steadfastly refused to license even its old shows to the company for streaming.

Netflix announced its first price hike in three years this week to help pay for more original programming, such as House of Cards. Shares of Netflix dropped nearly four per cent Wednesday following the announcement.

Amazon and HBO did not disclose the financial terms of the deal, nor its duration.

HBO Go, the network's streaming service that's currently only available to subscribers, will also be offered on Amazon's new stream-

ing device, Fire TV, likely by the end of the year. The \$99 device streams online video, music and other content to televisions, competing with the likes of Apple Inc. and Roku.

The deal "positions Prime Instant Video as a viable competitor and potentially more appealing alternative to Netflix," said Wedbush analyst Michael Pachter. "Through the HBO deal, in addition to its own original content, Amazon has the potential to offer close to 70 different series that we believe HBO owns outright, with multiple seasons available for the more successful

shows. In comparison, we believe that Netflix's original series figure is closer to 10, with up to only two seasons available."

Glenn Whitehead, executive vice-president of business and legal affairs at HBO, said that the company has always wanted to capitalize on its position as owners of its original programming.

The Amazon-HBO deal comes the same week that TV broadcasters are facing off at the U.S. Supreme Court with TV-over-the-Internet provider Aereo, which offers live broadcast television for a monthly fee.

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Blame Frankenstein, not the monster

Super Duper Alice Cooper. Doc shows how singer had to admit he was the addict — not his sinister alter ego



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Alice Cooper's theatrical brand of rock 'n' roll has been horrifying audiences for five decades.

Onstage, the kohl-eyed singer of School's Out and No More Mister Nice Guy is the stuff of nightmares.

His grotesque Grand-Guignol reputation was cemented when he was accused of biting the head off a chicken and drinking its blood during the Toronto Rock 'n' Roll Revival concert in September 1969.

A new movie, Super Duper Alice Cooper, details how Vincent Furnier, a preacher's son from Arizona, morphed into a



baby-doll-butchering rock star who found fame under the name of a 17th century witch.

It also unveils the truth about the "poultry incident."

According to the film, it was during the climax of

Cooper's wild set that a chicken somehow made its way onstage and Alice — thinking the bird could fly, threw it into the air — expecting it to soar into the sky.

Instead it dropped like a

stone into the audience who promptly tore it apart. The next day newspapers reported a sensational version of the story, one that painted Cooper as a chicken-killing degenerate, giving the band their best pub-

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"I didn't realize that Alice was not the problem. It was Dr. Frankenstein that was the problem, not the monster."

Alice Cooper on coming to the realization that his villainous Alice Cooper character didn't have to exist anywhere else except on stage

licity to date and Alice an idea.

"That was the moment I realized the audience really needed a villain," says Cooper.

"They wanted so much for Alice to be the guy who killed that chicken. Nobody else in rock 'n' roll would have done that except this really creepy guy up there. It clicked in my head that I needed to make this Alice character a definitive Moriarty. When that happened, I saw what the audience wanted.

"I knew I could develop this guy into something that is really going to be fun to play."

For the next 15 years he

played Alice to the hilt, on stage and off. It wasn't until a stint in rehab made him reassess his priorities and understand that Alice the character didn't need to exist anywhere except on stage.

"If that grey area would have cleared up and I could have put Alice in his proper place," he says, "it would have been a lot easier.

"But like anything else, when you're a creative character, you always take the hard road. I didn't realize that Alice was not the problem. It was Dr. Frankenstein that was the problem, not the monster. Alice never drank on stage.

"Alice never did drugs on stage. It was the creator of the monster that had the big problem."

These days, at age 66, Cooper is still going strong. He remains a wild man on stage with a new tour and album in the works.

"I still love the fact that people expect a show," he says, "and they get more than there were expecting every time."











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Criminal Justice. De Niro out, Turturro in

The cast of the courtroom drama miniseries has undergone yet another shift. Following Robert De Niro's exit, the cable network has brought in John Turturro for the lead role, according to The Hollywood Reporter.

Attached to headline Criminal Justice since September 2013, Robert De Niro was forced to step down due to a scheduling conflict, according to the Hollywood news website. The star will be replaced by John Turturro, the New York actor frequently seen in the films of Spike Lee and the Coen brothers.

In the seven-episode miniseries, the actor will play Jack Stone, a lawyer defending a young Pakistani man accused of murdering his wife. The role was initially developed for The Sopranos star James Gandolfini, who died in June 2013.



The project will not be John Turturro's first stint in television. The actor won an Emmy in 2004 for his performance on Monk, in which he played Ambrose, the agoraphobic brother of the famous detective played by Tony Shalhoub. AFP









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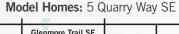
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Congratulations to Lupita Nyong'o, who has been officially named the Most Beautiful human on the face of planet Earth by People magazine. Nyong'o rocketed to fame in the role of Patsy in 12 Years a Slave, for which she won an Oscar.

Growing up surrounded by Western images of attractiveness made it difficult to see herself as beautiful, she says. "Light skin and long, flowing, straight hair," she told People. "Subconsciously you start to appreciate those things more than what you possess.' Nyong'o,

who was born in Mexico and grew up in Kenya, experimented extensively with her look as a teen, even shaving her head at one point. But now she craves simplicity: "I have been called beautiful with not one drop of makeup on," she says. "And also before I comb my hair or put on a pretty dress. Happiness is the most important thing."

This is the third time that People has named a black woman its Most Beautiful since beginning the tradition. Previous honourees include Halle Berry in 2003 and Beyoncé in

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MaybeLaura and Tom would date ... if they ever met...

MELINDA TAUB

World News in New York

Laura Prepon is laughing off rumours that she's dating fellow Scientologist Tom Cruise. "I'm flattered because I think he's hot, so I'm like, 'Oh, that's nice.' And apparently he's very gentlemanly with me," the Orange is the New Black star joked with the Daily Beast during an interview.

"Apparently we get along great and he knows

that I have a favourite bottle of wine that I didn't even know I had." Prepon expressed her further disappointment with the tabloid reports during an interview with SheKnows. com, calling the story 'false" for the record. "Where are they getting this stuff? It's unbelievable to me," she said.

"Apparently, I'm dating Tom Cruise right now and apparently, he doesn't want me doing (Orange is the New Black) because I portray a lesbian and I'm a Scientologist.

And how does she know for sure that she's not dating Cruise? Because Prepon has never formally met him, which is a tough obstacle to overcome in a relationship.



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Lohan reveals miscarriage, ex-beaus deny culpability

Lindsay Lohan dropped a bombshell during the finale of her Oprah Winfrey-produced reality show, claiming she'd had a miscarriage while filming the series — and now her ex-boyfriends are scrambling to clear their names, according to Radar Online. Sources close to Matt Nordgren says the reality star

blindsided by the news. "Lindsay never mentioned anything about it to him," a source close to Nordgren says. "He was shocked to hear about it." And 18-year-old Ralph Lauren model Morgan O'Connor, who had a dalliance with Lohan last fall and made a brief appearance on her reality series, is making it clear to friends he had nothing to do with the shocking news. "Morgan always said Lindsay was crazy and he

was afraid she would do something really stupid to get him in trouble," a source says.



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Drop the sweats and suit up

A regal revolution. The Brooklyn Circus founder explains why he's 'shifting and changing' attitudes toward the American uniform

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Ouigi Theodore, the founder of fashion label The Brooklyn Circus, is a man on a mission. What started as a manifesto to get Americans out of saggy jeans and sneakers has gone from the streets of Brooklyn to the style capitals of the world. It's as much to do with the charisma of the dapper dresser known as 'the Bearded Man' as the effect of global tastemaking via social media. The 38-year-old refers to the phenomenon as the 'global village'. It's an idea that's at the heart of label BKc — the modern incarnation of traditional craftsmanship and old-time dressing — that's woven from the melting pot of U.S. history and culture. He sits down to talk me through his 100-year grand plan and the true meaning of hipsterdom.

You're a dapper chap, so how long does it take you to get ready in the morning?

I'm a uniform guy, so it doesn't take me as long as you want to think. Oddly enough, I would literally wear the same rig for weeks on end — I just adjust with a cardigan or throw in a pop or change the hat.

The beard has been having a moment among hipsters



Ouigi Theodore is teaching a generation of gentlemen how to take a little more pride in their appearance. osuke/metro

From the Caribbean with care

"We came into America with a certain level of discipline and it was a discipline of self-awareness and presentation and so I kind of married that to my experience."

for a few seasons now and you've been sporting yours for years. How do you define the term 'hipster'?

I recently found out that hipster was a term that was used to describe white men during the jazz era who

were trying to be black guys and cool jazz cats.

That's a new one on me. Speaking of style cultures, why do you want to change the American dress code? American culture has been



identified as this super and ultra casual culture. It's really about sweatpants and trainers everyday. But for me, being from Haiti and the Caribbean, there needs to be a balance. We came into America with a certain level of discipline and it was a discipline of self-awareness and presentation and so I kind of married that to my experience. I bring a balance of tailoring and casual style into American sportswear.

You've got a 100-year plan, so how far along with changing the American style culture are you?

It's changing in small pockets internationally. It's not just in the U.S., thanks to the Internet. It's incredible to see something that you think is so local being picked up globally.

Is social media helping you get the word out?

Absolutely, totally. Social media is communication. I think people look at it sometimes as entertainment, when the reality is that the communication aspect precedes entertainment. As much as people are looking to see what's going on and writing LOL on posts,

there's a lot of information being flushed through the

Do you find design ideas through social media?

Yeah, it's being able to travel the world everyday in small bits. I'm looking at what's happening in London and Japan and it's in real-time.

Why are the Japanese so often the first to discover new trends?

The Japanese have a special way of figuring out and hunting for what's new. It's such a competitive environment that they have to go and seek out the next thing. They love culture and anything that has a vibration or soul to it.

Do you identify with the Japanese pace of working or is it more about brand longevity for you?

Absolutely, totally. I want to be able to run into a vintage store 40, 50 years from now and see our product. It's a cycle: We buy a lot of vintage and we're inspired by it and we design off of it. We have to create something that'll become the vintage of tomorrow.

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Milan des ign mash-ups

Collaboration drove invention during Milan's annual design fair earlier this month, yielding the promise of homes without mobile phone chargers — and with more ergonomic seating, table settings fit for Italy's most demanding chefs and sculptures that double as furniture. The show is increasingly the launching pad for high-level collaborations among the fashion, architecture, technological and design worlds. Here are a few highlights

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Alta moda meets mosaic

The Pucci fashion house has teamed up with the Bisazza glass-mosaic makers to create splashy wall mosaics featuring archival Pucci patterns. The collaboration was born out of friendship between Laudomia Pucci and Rossella Bisazza, women who have taken over the historic Italian brands founded by their fathers.

While Bisazza has collaborated with designers before, this is its first with a fashion

"The idea is to transfer the print from garments to interiors," Bisazza said in the brand's Milan store. "It is a way to decorate the house.

Three of the creations are envisioned as wall hangings, pieces of art in limited editions of 99. Each bold, geometric mosaic is made from hand-cut stones and takes six mosaic makers 200 hours to assemble. The collection also includes three more-industrialized products that can be installed directly on interior walls.

"It has been a great collaboration, also very easy, very quick," Bisazza said. "It is not always that way."

Fashion designers are increasingly expanding into home and furniture lines to complete their brands. Prada presented its CloverLeaf Sofa, a sectional that creates intimate space for conversation. The sofa, which comes in velvety red, gold and green, commands a large space but can be broken down into elegant S-shaped seating, as Prada did in its via Montenapoleane womenswear store.

Missoni decorated an interior wall with plates in a mix-matched floral and zigzag design that it made in collaboration with the historic Tuscan porcelain company Ri-

Rossella Bisazza, right, poses in front of a mosaic inspired by Pucci at the Milan Design Fair.



Many crystals make light work

Baccarat chandelier and tableware on display at the Milan Design Fair.



Get outside with a pop-up Soullmate

A Dutch design team has created pop-up furniture for temporary restaurants or festivals — a cushioned and heated bench for two with a built-in table that folds into a box for easy transport. The pieces, made for sideby-side dining or working, were dubbed Soullmate.

Cactus cozy for your Starck chair

Seven designers, including Philippe Starck, Sebastian Bergne, Sam Hecht and Kim Colin, have designed "naked" furnishings — chairs, tables, sofas — for an inaugural collection of a new brand concept dubbed Tog, short for together. Consumers can choose from colours and combinations offered by the designers. But Tog co-ordinator and designer Nicola Rapetti said the concept also establishes a network of so-called customizers who offer additions of



their own. For example, one Dutch "customizer" offers knit covers for chairs, and the possibilities for collaborations within the Tog community, as it grows, is

Ahead-of-the-curve charging station countertops

Powermat wireless recharging technology is being incorporated into Corian surfaces, the DuPont creation that can be moulded into virtually any shape and purpose, making it ideal for kitchen countertops, bathroom surfaces and tabletops — any of which now can become a charging station. The energy transfer is through magnetic induction, not electricity, meaning "there is no chance of sparkage," said Scott Eisenstein, a Powermat vice president.

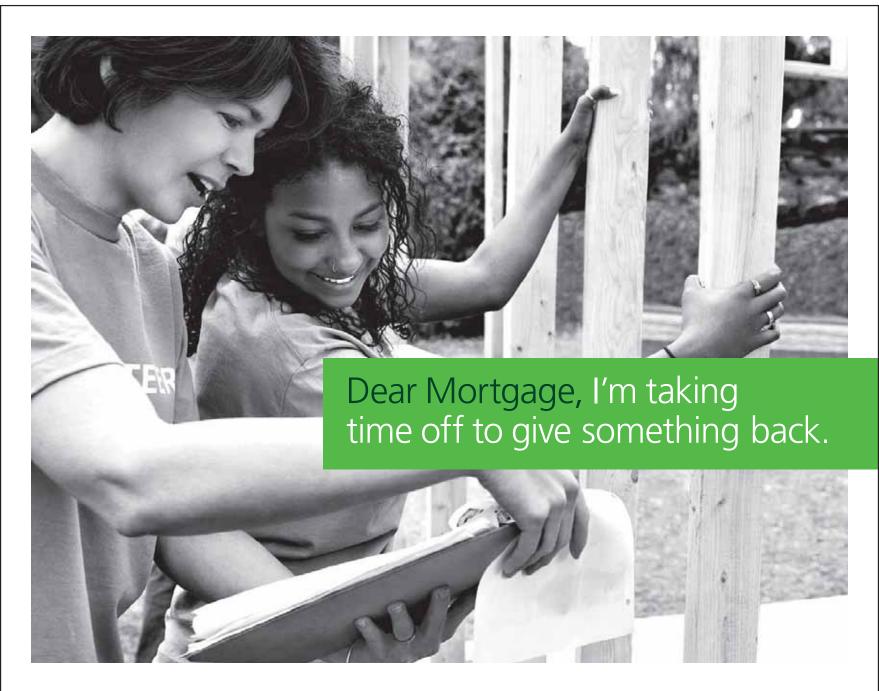


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Pierre Cardin goes glam lamping

This Pierre Cardin lamp was displayed at the Milan Design Fair. Cardin, a pioneer in ready-to-wear fashion, was also one of the first fashion designers to branch out into furniture. Now his nephew, Rodrigo Basilicati, is spearheading a new collection of Cardin's so called Utilitarian Sculptures.

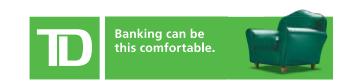




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Stag trophies go from hokey to hipster

Mounted antlers über cool in Germany. Old world stuffiness reclaimed with humour

Not long ago, self-respecting young German urbanites would have turned on their heels if they spotted a mounted deer head or set of antlers in a bar.

In the sometimes subtle language of taste and demographics, taxidermy in Germany screamed old-fashioned, tacky and even a bit right-wing.

Whereas in Britain, for example, mounted animals might conjure up stately homes and quaint rural pubs, Germans would be more likely to have faint echoes of the Bavarian backwoods and a parade of Nazi and communist strongmen earning their macho bona fides with hunting exploits.

But in the tradition of hipsters the world over, stag heads have been flipped into an ironic statement by those self-styled urbane, creative and politically progressive types in the ubercool neighbourhoods of Berlin, Hamburg and Munich.

And, in the next iteration of the trend, upscale home furnishing designers are even selling blinged-out deer heads with rhinestones and gold-plating.

The staid broadsheet Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung devoted a lengthy piece this year to the deer trophy, saying it had long escaped "grandpa's hunting hall."

"It was a dust-gatherer, part of a dead animal which, should you have ended up inheriting one, you didn't know what to do with. Would the rubbish collectors pick one up?" Jennifer Wiebking wrote.

She said that taxidermy first started popping up in modish bars and restaurants before conquering the private flats of the style-conscious, where they are of course hung only with



a wink, and a nod. "A rack of antlers is a wonderful style accessory to show that you have a sense of irony," she wrote.

'Retro trash kitsch'

Klaus Siebenhaar, a professor of cultural and media studies at Berlin's Free University, said that if many abroad think of "sauerkraut and sausage" when they think of Germany, Germans themselves link the stag trophy with their own national

"It is the symbol of the German forest, of provincialism, of nature and at the same time of the petite bourgeoisie," he said.

"It is the incarnation of German stuffiness."

He argued that mounted animal trophies were similar to the popular Jaegermeister liqueur which uses a stag's head logo and has also managed in recent years to straddle the student-pensioner divide.

In Berlin's main hipster habitat, the Neukoelln district, animal trophies have become nearly as ubiquitous as full beards and skinny jeans.

Ines Djampour owns Rudimarie, a cafe that attracts students and fashionable young parents alongside a few older

- German news agency DPA recently ran a piece headlined Pimp My Antler Rack profiling designers who decorate the mounted heads of roe, bucks, elk and cattle and sell them for a premium to hang in homes, restaurants and even offices.
- A website, geweihshop. de, ships deer trophies in gold, silver and hot pink and even offers a rabbit head adorned with antlers, along with more traditional models.

longtime residents of the neighbourhood.

Carefully curated mismatched vintage garden furniture, antique lamps and wall hangings make up the decor, and a deer trophy has pride of place opposite the front door.

"In my childhood you saw an animal trophy and immediately thought of right-wing politics and that side of society," Djampour said.

think the time has come to use these trophies as decoration again in a different context with a sense of humour. As soon as they're taken out of one element and put in another, you have a different relationship to them."

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Racking up the irony

"A rack of antlers is a wonderful style accessory to show that you have a sense of irony."

Jennifer Wiebking wrote in the staid broadsheet Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung.

What sounds Italian but rules Mexico?

Milanesa de pollo.

Believe it or not, this Italian-sounding recipe is among the country's most popular dishes

"The word Milanesa refers to beef, pork, veal, or chicken that has been pounded thin, breaded, and fried until deliciously crisp and golden brown," writes Pati Jinich in her book Pati's Mexican Table.

"My addition of tangy crumbled cheese gives the breading an extra layer of flavour, and the pinch of ground chile takes the Milanesas a step beyond traditional versions.

"I could eat Milanesa de pollo every day for the rest of my life. My kids feel the same way: I usually prepare a double or triple batch at itime, store them uncooked in the freezer, and pull them out as needed during the week."

1. In a large shallow bowl, whisk together the eggs and milk. Combine the

corn flakes with the cheese, chile, and salt and spread on a plate.

2. Dip each chicken breast in the egg mixture, then coat it on both sides with the corn flake mixture, so the whole breast is covered. Set aside on a plate.

3. Heat 1/4 inch of oil in a 12-inch skillet over medium heat until hot but not smoking, 2 to 3 minutes. Add as many chicken breasts as will fit in a single layer, without crowding the pan. If the edges of the Milanesas aren't bubbling in the oil, raise the heat to mediumhigh. Cook for 2 to 3 minutes on the first side, until golden brown and crisp, then gently flip and repeat on the other side.

4. Remove the Milanesas from the pan and set them on a paper-towel-covered plate and keep warm. Repeat with the remaining chicken pieces, adding more oil if needed. (If you are not serving them immediately, place the Milanesas in a baking dish, with-

out the paper towels, and keep warm in a 250 F oven.) Serve hot. THIS MILANESA DE POLLO RECIPE HAS BEEN EXCERPTED FROM PATI'S MEX-ICAN TABLE, © 2013 BY PATI JINICH. REPRODUCED BY PERMISSION OF HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.

Cookbook of the Week

Mexican flavours in your kitchen



As the host of the PBS series Pati's Mexican Table, Pati Jinich proves that Mexican cooking is quicker and easier than most North Americans think.

Now she puts that concept to use in her book of the same name. Surprising in its simplicity and freshness, her recipes aren't overloaded with cheese or heavy sauces. Many specialities in the book Jinich learned from her mom and grandmother, while others are spins on classics.

Most important, they fit perfectly into an everyday family cooking schedule and use just a handful of ingredients, most of which are already in your pantry.

Among the recipes are Sweet and Salty Salmon, Classic Avocado Soup, Mexican Masa Dumplings and more.

Jinich also shares exciting dishes for the holidays and other special occasions, including Mexican Thanksgiving Turkey with Chorizo, Pecan, Apple, and Corn Bread Stuffing.

Ingredients

- 2 large eggs
- 2 tbsp milk
- 1 cup Kellogg's Corn Flakes crumbs or dried bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup finely crumbled queso fresco, Cotija, ricotta salata, or mild feta
- 1/2 tsp ground dried chile,

such as piquín, or a Mexican

- mix, such as Tajín, or to taste
 1/4 tsp kosher or coarse sea
 salt, or to taste
- 6 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, pounded thin
- Vegetable oil



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Creamy Poblano Rajas: Sidekick for meat



Ingredients

- 3 tbsp unsalted butter • 1 1/2 cups slivered white
- 1 lbs poblano chiles, charred, sweated, peeled, stemmed, seeded, and sliced into 1-x-½inch strips
- 1 tsp kosher or coarse sea

salt, or to taste

- 1/4 tsp freshly ground black pepper, or to taste
- 1 cup crème fraîche
- 1/2 cup crumbled queso fresco, Cotija, farmer cheese, feta, or ricotta salata

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MIND THE APP Kris Abel @RealKrisAbel life@metronews.ca Suitable for vegans, vegetarians, and understanding omnivores alike, this collection of 18 recipes inspired by world cuisine is ideal for family gatherings, offering kale burgers, saffron risotto, and holiday dishes.



This recipe calls for the chiles to be charred, sweated and stemmed.

To char them, Pati Jinich suggests, "Place the chiles in a dry skillet set over medium heat ... turning them every two to three minutes for six to nine minutes."

Then, to make them sweat, Jinich says, "Place the chilies in a plastic bag or bowl. Seal the bag or cover the bowl tightly with plastic wrap and allow the chiles to sweat for 10 to 20 minutes."

Lastly, you must peel and rinse the chiles by, "holding each chile under a thin stream of cold running water" and removing the charred skin with your fingers.

Then make a slit down one side of the pepper and remove the cluster of seeds and veins. 1. Heat the butter in a large skillet over medium-low heat until melted and foamy. Add the onions and cook, stirring occasionally, until soft, translucent, and starting to gently brown around the edges, about 15 minutes.

2. Increase the heat to medium-high and add the poblano chile strips. Sprinkle with the salt and pepper

and cook for 2 to 3 minutes, until the chiles have lightly browned. Reduce the heat to medium, add the cream and cheese, and cook, tossing gently, until the sauce thickens, 5 to 6 minutes. Serve hot. THIS CREAMY POBLANO RAJAS RECIPE HAS BEEN EXCEPTED FROM PATI'S MEXICAN TABLE, @ 2013 BY PATI JINICH. REPRODUCED BY PERMISSION OF HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.



HEALTHY HABITS

KEEP YOUR TEETH IN GREAT SHAPE

You have mere seconds to make a first impression and a healthy smile, whiter teeth, and fresh breath are all part of making a good one.

April is Oral Health Month, which means it's a good time to think about all the habits that contribute to a winning smile. The best way to keep your teeth in great shape are: Take care of your overall health, including good oral hygiene; whit-

en teeth as necessary; and be conscious of keeping your breath fresh.



HEALTHY TEETH

A healthy mouth is part of a healthy body, says Dr. Travis Stork, a practising board-certified emergency medicine

physician and an Emmy-nominated national television host.

When you don't take care of your teeth and gums, the results become very noticeable, very quickly — bad breath and stained teeth are hard to miss.

But poor oral hygiene can also lead to a more damaging problem — gingi-

vitis. Over time, gingivitis, which is an inflammation of the gums, can cause gum disease and even loss of teeth.

Of course, you need healthy teeth and gums to eat and enjoy your food. Also, the condition of your teeth and gums can affect the way you feel about yourself too, Stork says.

Factors that affect the health of your teeth:

- Poor oral hygiene;
- Gingivitis;
- Unhealthy diet;
- Underlying health conditions.

HEALTHY SOLUTIONS

Good health comes with a healthy lifestyle, Stork says — stay active, eat healthy, and take care of oral health.

It's most important to reduce the

amount of sugar, specifically in your diet, which is one of the main causes of dental problems.

"Cut out as much refined sugars as possible," Stork says. "Instead, enjoy the natural sweetness of fruits."

Oral hygiene is important, too. Brush and floss your teeth and rinse every day. Stork recommends brushing with an electric toothbrush for two minutes twice a day, flossing, and rinsing with an antiseptic mouthwash.

Use Crest Pro-Health Clinical toothpaste, Stork says. It can help prevent and even reverse gingivitis and early stages of gum disease.

Be sure to see your dentist at least twice a year for routine cleaning and a checkup. See your doctor for any health problems, too.

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Whitening teeth is one of the easiest and most noticeable cosmetic changes you can make today. While whiter teeth brighten your smile, the benefits go much further than that. A beautiful, whiter smile is also good for health and wellness

For example, looking good gives your self-esteem a boost and that will affect your self-confidence and how you feel about life in general.

Someone with whiter teeth, compared to stained teeth, appears to be friendlier. When people have a bright smile, they tend to show it off more often

There is an anti-aging effect as well — research has shown that whiter teeth are associated with beauty, health and youth.

Factors that affect the colour of teeth include:

- Genetics some people are born with teeth that are more yellow than
- Age as a natural part of aging,
- Smoking cigarettes leave behind yellowish nicotine stains on teeth; so smoking is just as unhealthy for teeth as it is for the body.
- Coffee, tea and red wine drink-
- Medication certain medications tend to discolour teeth
- Oral hygiene plaque and tartar buildup affect the colour.

SWEET SOLUTIONS FOR FRESH BREATH

For whiter teeth, quit smoking. Talk to your dentist or doctor about any concerns. If you ingest foods that may stain, rinse your mouth afterwards. Be

sure to brush your teeth, floss, and use a dental mouthwash at least twice a day. Brush with Crest Pro-Health Clinical toothpaste, a whitening toothpaste, and try a whitening product.

FRESHER BREATH

Morning breath is one thing. But halitosis, or bad breath,

on a more regular basis can negatively impact your day-to-day life, and it may signal dental or other health problems. Since sense of smell is so closely linked to emotions, fresh breath is an important part of connecting — romantically, in a business setting, and in day-to-day activities.

Bad breath, in fact, has been referred to as a "social life killer." In the extreme, people who know they have bad breath often avoid talking to other people.

> Bad breath can cause major problems for married people,

too. Halitosis is one of the main reasons people with partners see their dentist.

Factors that affect bad breath include:

- Poor oral hygiene;
- Strong smelling foods;
- Smoking;
- Health problems.

SWEET SOLUTIONS

Brush and floss at least twice a day to prevent odour-causing bacteria from settling in the mouth. If bad breath is caused by food choices, be sure to rinse your mouth, brush your teeth and rinse with a dental mouthwash after you eat. Talk to your dentist or doctor about your concerns. Be sure to always carry sugar-free gum or mints and mouthwash, too.



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Blue Jackets tie series in historic home win

Series tied at 2-2.

First home playoff win for Columbus in its 13 NHL seasons

Brandon Dubinsky scored with 22.5 seconds left in regulation to force overtime and Nick Foligno's wrist shot just inside the blue-line 2:49 into the extra session gave the Columbus Blue Jackets a 4-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Penguins on Wednesday night.

The Blue Jackets overcame a 3-0 deficit for their first home playoff victory in the franchise's 13 seasons, sending the series back to Pittsburgh for Game 5 on Saturday night tied 2-2.

Craig Adams, Chris Kunitz, James Neal scored in a span of 5:01 of the first period to stake the Penguins to a 3-0 lead. But Ryan Johansen and Dubinsky each had a goal and an assist and Boone Jener also scored for Columbus, making only its second post-season trip.

It was the fourth time in the series that the team that scored first — and also went on to hold a 3-1 lead — lost.

With the Penguins hanging on to a 3-2 lead in the third period, Penguins goalie Marc-Andre Fleury made a big save on Matt Calvert's second shot in a flurry. Calvert later got behind Brooks Orpik on a breakaway and his forehand clanged off the crossbar, setting off a loud groan in the

But Fleury went behind the cage to handle Jack Johnson's pass around the



Penguins' goalie Marc-Andre Fleury deflects the puck away from Matt Calvert of the Columbus Blue Jackets during

Game 4 of the first round of the 2014 NHL Stanley Cun Playoffs on Wednesday in Columbus Objo KIRK INVINIOUS INFO

boards in the final minute. He whiffed trying to handle the puck and was stuck out of position, allowing Johanson to slide a centring pass through the crease where Dubinsky netted it with 22.5 seconds left.

What followed was the loudest sound heard in the Blue Jackets' dismal 13 seasons.

In overtime, the Blue Jackets had the best of it — as they had for all but the start.

Foligno carried the puck through the neutral zone and was just across the blue-line when he fired a low wrister that he tucked under Fleury's

In numbers

Fleury had been brilliant throughout the third period, finishing with 42 saves. Columbus' Sergei Bobrovsky, also was spectacular at times with 22 saves.

 Sidney Crosby has not scored a goal in his last nine playoff games.

glove. As the players piled on top of Foligno, the crowd went crazy.

The Penguins rolled to a quick 3-0 lead and ended up

with a dreaded 3-1 lead after a period — and once again it vanished.

From the time the Penguins built their 3-0 lead until the end of the second period, they were outshot 25-8.

In the dressing room after Dubinsky's late goal forced overtime, Foligno half-jokingly said he'd get the winner.

Then he did it.

Asked if he had called the goal, Foligno laughed.

"I might have," he said with a wide grin. "I didn't actually think it would work out, but it ended up working. I'm going to thank my lucky stars." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Game 4

Stars dominate Ducks to tie series

Cody Eakin and Alex Goligoski scored 1:22 apart on Dallas' first two shots in the third period and the Stars beat the top-seeded Anaheim Ducks 4-2 on Wednesday in Game 4 of the bestof-seven series that is all even now.

Even without captain Ryan Getzlaf, a surprise late scratch with an upper-body injury, and healthy scratch Teemu Selanne, the Ducks jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first period.

Game 5 is Friday night in Anaheim, and the best-of-seven series returns Sunday to the American Airlines Center for Game 6.

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Suspension

Wild's Cooke gets seven games

Minnesota Wild leftwinger Matt Cooke has been suspended for seven games by the NHL for a knee-to-knee hit that injured Colorado Avalanche defenceman Tyson Barrie.

Cooke was at the league office in New York on Wednesday for a hearing about the incident, and his punishment was announced about eight hours later.

The Avalanche lead 2-1with Game 4 set for Thursday night, so Cooke will be out for the series and more. Barrie suffered a medial collateral ligament injury to his left knee and will need four to six weeks to recover.

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Big bad Heat make **Bobcats say uncle**

NBA playoffs.

Charlotte comes out swinging, but Miami still has stranglehold on first-round series

LeBron James drove to the rim as time was winding down, got clobbered by Josh McRoberts and sat on the hardwood gathering himself for a few seconds afterward.

It was fitting. Miami took Charlotte's best shot, and sur-

James scored 32 points and added eight assists, Chris Bosh scored 20 points and the Heat wasted two big leads before hanging on to beat the Bobcats 101-97 on Wednesday night to take a 2-0 lead in their Eastern Conference first-round series.

Dwyane Wade scored 15 points and had a steal in the final seconds to seal the win

for Miami. He stripped the ball from Chris Douglas-Roberts with the Heat protecting a three-point lead with about three seconds left, and the Bobcats never got another shot off.

"A very instinctual, high-risk play," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said. "The ball's there and you know you have an opportunity to get it when most people can't get that, and that saved the game."

Game 3 is Saturday in Char-

Michael Kidd-Gilchrist scored 22 points for Charlotte, which got 18 points and 13 rebounds from Al Jefferson, who

LeBron James, between his time in Cleveland and Miami, is 11-0 when his teams have gone up 2-0 in a series. Dwyane Wade has been part of nine previous 2-0 leads with the Heat, and six of those series ended in no more than five games.

played through a left plantar fascia strain and shot 9-for-23 from the floor.

Miami's lead was 97-94 with 50 seconds left when James drove and was met at the rim by McRoberts, whose right elbow struck the four-time NBA MVP around his chin. James immediately began grabbing at his throat and needed much longer than he usually does to get up after a hard foul, which was not called flagrant.

Said McRoberts, who insisted it wasn't intentional: "It looked a lot worse than what it Was," THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



NBA

Monta makes Spurs mountain seem smaller

Monta Ellis scored 21 points and the Dallas Mavericks rolled to a 113-92 victory over San Antonio on Wednesday night, snapping a 10-game skid against the Spurs and evening their first-round series at a game

Shawn Marion scored 20 points, Dirk Nowitzki added 16, Devin Harris had 18 and Jose Calderon had 12 for Dallas, which never trailed after the opening minutes of the second quarter. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CFL

Riders exceed salary cap, fined

The Grey Cup-champion Saskatchewan Roughriders were the only team to surpass the ČFL's \$4.4-million salary cap in 2013, the league announced Wednesday.

According to the CFL, the Roughriders' spent \$4,417,975 in salaries last year. As per league rules, the club will be fined \$17,975, or one dollar for each dollar it was over the cap. THE CANADIAN PRESS

WHL

League to decide if clubs can be sold

The WHL will vote next week on the sale of two franchises.

The Prince George Cougars and Regina Pats have both entered agreements to transfer ownership, the WHL said Wednesday in a statement. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Raptors ready to take battle to Brooklyn



a loose ball in Toronto on Tuesday. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The Raptors have talked the talk. Now they have to walk the walk in Brooklyn.

Toronto backed up its GM's two-word foray into the world of trash talk by evening its first-round playoff series with the Nets at one game apiece via a 100-95 win Tuesday night. The series now switches to the Barclays Center in Brooklyn for Game 3 Friday and Game 4 Sunday.

"It's going to be a new frontier," Toronto coach Dwane Casey said Wednesday prior to flying to New York. "We've

been a good road team in hostile situations, hostile gyms. Our guys have responded."

Toronto collected 22 wins on the road this season, tied with Miami and Washington for tops in the Eastern Conference.

One of those away wins came in Brooklyn, where Toronto was 1-1 this season. The teams also split their two regular-season games at the Air Canada Centre. Add in the first two games of this series and the teams are 3-3 against each other this season.

The trash-talking in Toronto has essentially been restricted to general manager Masai Ujiri's out-of-nowhere insult to Brooklyn at a fan gathering prior to Game 1.

But Ujiri's two-word slur continues to loom large.

Veteran Net Kevin Garnett has openly wondered what the Raptors' reception will be given the GM's comment.

"I don't know if you can say 'F Brooklyn' and then come into Brooklyn," Garnett said. 'So we're about to see what it's like." the canadian press



Jays crippled by full Nelson



MLB. Cruz crushes Toronto pitching to help Baltimore overcome early five-run deficit

Toronto manager John Gibbons didn't wait for the first question at his post-game availability before offering his thoughts on the Blue Jays coming up just short in a slugfest at Rogers Centre.

"It's very rare when you get 16 hits and no errors and you don't win the game, put it that way," he said.

Nelson Cruz hit a grand slam and a solo homer as Baltimore pounded home runs to outscore To-

night. The Blue Jays had three homers of their own and outhit the Orioles 16-12 but couldn't catch up after blowing an early five-run lead.

Toronto loaded the bases in the bottom of the ninth inning but Jonathan Diaz hit into a game-ending double play.

"(Jonathan) hit the ball hard, it just so happens it was right at somebody," said second baseman Ryan Goins. 'We'll come back tomorrow and go back to grinding.

Chris Davis and Matt Wieters had the other homers for the Orioles. Canadian Brett Lawrie, Jose Reyes and Goins went deep for Toronto (11-10).

You have so much respect for that offence over there, Gibbons said of the Orioles. "They keep coming at you. You never really feel good but some key outs along the way can make a difference and their guys got them.'

The Blue Jays left 11 men on base.

"It wasn't pretty but we got it done," Cruz said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Birthday bash

Wrigley Field: 100

Fittingly, the Chicago Cubs marked Wrigley Field's 100th birthday with a loss.

One out from victory, the Cubs, who have not won a World Series since 1908, allowed the Arizona Diamondbacks to rally for five runs in the ninth inning in a 7-5 loss Wednesday. The beloved ballpark is the second-oldest in the major leagues behind 102-year-old Fenway Park in Boston. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





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Taurus April 21 - May 21

You can't help but make a good impression right now. Just be careful you don't attract so many new friends that you neglect the people in your life who really matter.

∐ Gemini May 22 - June 21

You don't need anyone's blessing for what you are planning. All you need is the confidence to begin, and the courage to follow through and finish the job. What are you waiting for? Now's the time.

Gancer

June 22 - July 23

Your confidence is high and will rise even higher over the next few days. Friendships and group activities are under excellent stars. Get out into the world and see and be seen.

$\mathbf{\Omega}$ Leo July 24 - Aug. 23

With the Sun and Mercury moving through the status area of your chart, you will make friends with the right sort of people and there is no telling where that might lead.

MP Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You want to take a trip but have no valid reason for travelling. So what? Cosmic activity in the most adventurous area of your chart urges you to let your impulses guide

you. You're sure to end up

some place that's fun.

📤 Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Make sure what you wish for is what you truly desire because once it is in your possession you may not be able to give it back. Also, be careful when making promises to friends.

They will hold you to them.

M Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

The planets indicate that you will gain more if you take an easygoing attitude to getting your way. Aim high but don't think you have to force people to give you what you desire.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

The cosmic picture is so good that most people will respond positively if you approach them as equals and partners. On the work front, especially, if you smile and ask nicely you'll get everything you need.

V Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You don't have to come on strong to make your point. On the contrary, others will be more receptive to what you say if you say it calmly and and with no hint of a threat.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You get on well with most people but you also need to be aware that there are individuals out there who are so different to you in temperament that it's unlikely you will ever be friends.

H Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

Someone you meet socially will attract you romantically but think carefully before you send out signals of love because the planets warn it may not be the right thing to do. Stay friendly — for now. **SALLY BROMPTON**

TODAY

MAX: 12°

MIN: 1°

SATURDAY



FRIDAY

MIN: 0





Crossword: Canada Across and Down

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Across

- 1. Extinct bird 4. East Coast ocean, for short 7. Canadian singer/
- songwriter, Fefe (See #64-Across for more!)
- 13. European country 15. Seldom
- 16. #6-Down's birthplace in Scotland
- 17. Nurse's prop 18. Industry work unit
- 19. "__ la vie!" 20. Flight tower serv.
- 21. Directs 23. Internet destination
- 27. "I don't ____ problem."
- 29. Nunavut: Chesterfield and Rankin
- 31. Retro music syllable 32. Century: French
- 34. Proprietor
- 36. .38-__ bullet 39. 'The Twilight Saga' installment: 2 wds.
- 41. Coke competition
- 42. Skillfully tricked 44. Journal
- 45. The __ Quintup-
- lets 47. Flippant talk 51. decision
- 53. Sixties supermodel 55. Moviedom's
- Myrna 56. Important caucus state
- 58. Edmonton-born

Chong actress, 60. Jason's "Beverly Hills, 90210" role 63. Doing Atkins: 3 wds.

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- 64. New single by #7-Across: "In ___ Hands"
- 65. Eighty: Spanish

66. One of the Gospels-writers, 67. Montreal's plurally 'Mv'

68. Chicago White Down

- 1. Molten matters 2. Like David Letterman's show: 2 wds.
- 3. Rodgers & Hart's 'Ten Cents 4. CFL players, e.g. 5. More like a 'Speckled' fish

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30 40

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42 43

- 6. Canadian singer/ songwriter of "(You're a) Strange Animal":
- 2 wds.

- and QC

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68

- 7. Least wet 8. Rows 9. Ms. Spears, et al. 10. Ottawa fig. 11. Scratch tickets and
- more corp. for the prov. between MB
- 12. Bill 'The Science

- See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers. BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN
 - Guy' 14. Kyrgyzstan city
 - 17. Film buff's mansion must-have: 2 wds.
 - 22. Kay's follower 24. "This laughing matter!": 2 wds. 25. '70s TV cop Lt.
 - Koiak 26. Make money 28. Unchanged: 2
 - wds. 30. " good now?" (Things are okay between us,
 - right?) 33. Footnote abbr. 35. Terrorist's arms,
 - commonly
 - 36. Mil. two-stripers 37. "__ Flux" (2005) 38. Sports org. for
 - Canada's Rebecca Lee-Bentham
 - 40. Refinement 43. Prefix to 'lateral'
 - 46. Doug & The Slugs hit: "Making
 - 48. Mr. Thicke's ...en
 - francais 49. Location of 1976
 - anti-apartheid protests in South Africa
 - 50. Grammar topic 52. One of Columbus'
 - ships in 1492
 - 54. Not nahs 57. Baltic Sea feeder
 - 59. Prez pre-JFK 60. Guitarist Mr. King's
 - 61. Soak flax 62. \$20s-spewing

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How to play

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

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